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**T**HE peculiar circumstances of America, since the publication of the first volume of the Transactions of this Society, will be a sufficient apology for the long delay in publishing a second. The Society having, however, resumed their former labours in promoting useful knowledge, which were necessarily suspended during the late war: and finding themselves in possession of materials more than sufficient for a second volume of Transactions, appointed a Committee to select such pieces as might be most proper for that purpose: The Committee have made that selection, which is here offered to the public. Several pieces still remain worthy of publication, which will probably appear in a future volume.

It may not be amiss in this place to insert the Rules which the Society have adopted for the direction of their Committees in the choice of papers for publication.

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